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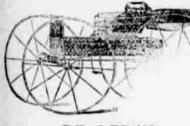
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A LIMB OF THE LAW. Out of Politics and Into Jail. J. M. Billings, alias West, of Minden, ruthlessly pulled from the race for prosecuting attorney of Jasper county the other day, to answer to the charge of stealing ten law books from J. V. Claymer, at Hutchinson, Kansas. The theft was committed some time ago, and when the arrest was made he had one of the law books in his buggy. He is now in fail in Harvey county, and pending the examination his race for official preferment is declared off. Charles De Forest, of Nevada, in talking of this muchtroubled citizen of our neighboring county, gave the following sketch of his history: In 1874 Mr. De Forest was engaged in business at Wetmore, Kansas, and at that time J. M. Billings was an honest, industrious farmer, hving happily with his wife and five children, near that place. By dint of unceasing toil, in which his wire participated, he paid for his So acre farm, deposited \$1,200 in bank, and got together some stock and other personal property. Soon a shadow crossed the Billings household, in the shape of a brother named Nathan, a most unmitigated scapegrace and scoundrel. His influence over J. M. was very bad, but no one suspected that matters would end as they did. This brother possessed much shrewdness and the best that can be procured along with diabolism, as was shown both fresh and cured. Also tresh by the fact that during one of the late senatorial contests along in the seventies, he forged credentials entitling him to a seat in the legislature from Norton county, which was unorganized and had no representation, actually taking his seat and remaining 50 days, or till a senator was suddenly turned up at Wetmore, where his association with J. M. Billings was renewed. One day the two brothers took a team and drove was thought till the lapse of two or three days, when Mrs. Billings, thoroughly alarmed, visited the bank, only to find that the \$1,200 had been drawn out by her husband There was much excitement over the brothers' disappearance, and the entire town went in quest of them, but no clue being found, it became the accepted fact that Nathan had murdered his brother for the money and

team, and so strongly was this be-

lieved that Mrs. Billings, who

returned to her father in Indiana,

subsequently married. Thus things

stood, till something like four years

ago, when the two Billings reap

peared in Wetmore for the purpose,

as Johnson asserted, of showing that

Nathan had not murdered him.

When asked about his family he said

he did not care anything about

them, but people had no opportunity

to question him closely, as he and

Nathan left the same day as sudden-

ly as they had come. Mr. De Forest

saw no more of Billings till a few

months ago, at the Commercial

hotel in Lamar, when his old ac-

quaintance materialized in the per-

son of J. M. West He recognized

him of course, and the information

given being followed up by Marshal

Morgan, the cause of Billings as-

sumption of another name was made

As to the charges of theft against

Billings the Missourian says: "It is charged that he and Nathan, on the 15th of July, 1884, entered the law office of J. V. Clymer, at Hutchinson, Kansas, and took 18 law books. From here they were followed to Comanche county, where all trace of them was lost, till West, who taught school at Morerod for awhile, came to Minden and began to practice law. Mr. Moran has for weeks been trying to devise a scheme to get the rising barrister over into Kansas, but it was not until last week that a mock trial was arranged at Litchfield, with West as one of the lawyers Deputy Sheriff Robinson was on hand, and the aspiring politician was promptly arrested, the copy of Greenleat in his buggy, J. V. Clymer's name on it. He had ten more of Clymer's books, besides twenty five other volumes, the names on all of which had been studiously erased and, in some instances, his

own substituted. The alleged culprit, is now in the Harvey county jail awaiting trial, his intended defense being that he got the books by purchase, and not in the manner charged "-Nevada Mail.

The manager of east Fort Wayne, Ind., Gazette, Mr. B M. Holman, says he has often read of the wonderful cures effected y St. Ja obs Oil. Recently he sprained his ankle, and invested in a cane and a battle of St. Jacobs Oil. The latter proved the better investment, as it cure

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